

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) Gear drive unit, to adjust moveable parts in a motor vehicle, comprising a gear housing and a shaft positioned therein along a longitudinal axis, the shaft being supported in the housing via an axial stopping face [[on]] and a counter stopping face, wherein at least one of the stopping faces is inclined in respect to a plane surface that is perpendicular to the longitudinal axis by an angle of inclination in order to generate an axial force, wherein a component, which cooperates with at least one of the stopping faces, is displaceable perpendicular to the longitudinal axis by means of an elastic element that is a bent punched part of the component, such that the component and the element are monolithic, and the component is wedge-shaped and causes the elastic element to displace in a radial direction with respect to the shaft thereby maintaining an axial force to eliminate shaft longitudinal play.
2. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that at least one of the stopping faces or the component features a saw-tooth profile.
3. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that at least one of the stopping faces or the component features a stair-step profile.
4. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 21, characterized in that at least one of the stopping faces is cone-shaped, with annular stair steps.
5. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that the component is one piece with the at least one stopping face, as a stopping element.
6. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that the component is U-shaped, and surrounds the shaft or a stopping sleeve of the shaft.
7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that the component is a 2-step wedge.
9. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that the shaft features a fore part and/or at least one collar, with which the shaft is supported on the gearing housing via the component.
10. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that the shaft features a worm toothing or thread toothing, and engages in an inside thread of a spindle drive device.
11. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 1, characterized in that the component can be displaced radially to the longitudinal axis by means of the pre-stressed elastic element.
12. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 11, characterized in that the elastic element is supported on a covering of the gear housing.
13. (Canceled)
14. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 11, characterized in that the component is formed together with the elastic element as a wedge-shaped wavy leaf spring.
15. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 21, characterized in that at least one of the stopping faces or the component features a surface having a stair-step profile.
16. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 21, characterized in that at least one of the stopping faces is cone-shaped, with a surface having annular stair steps.
17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 21, characterized in that the component is one piece with the one stopping face, as a stopping element.

19-20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) Gear drive unit to adjust moveable parts in a motor vehicle, comprising a gear housing and a shaft positioned therein along a longitudinal axis, which shaft is supported on the housing via an axial stopping face ~~on a counter~~ and a conical stopping face, wherein at least one of the stopping faces is inclined perpendicular to the longitudinal axis against a plane by an angle of inclination in order to generate an axial force, and a component, which cooperates with at least one of the stopping faces, is arranged in a displaceable manner perpendicular to the longitudinal axis, and the component causes the elastic element to displace in a radial direction thereby maintaining an axial force to equalize shaft longitudinal play, wherein the component can be displaced by an elastic ring element, the ring element being formed so that it can be compressed causing it to be expanded radially, and is arranged between the axial stopping face and ~~[[a]]~~ the conical stopping face.

22-24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 21, wherein the shaft features at least one collar, with which the shaft is supported on the gearing housing via the component.

26. (Previously Presented) Gear drive unit according to Claim 21, wherein that the shaft features a worm toothing or thread toothing, and engages in an inside thread of a spindle drive device.

27-28. (Canceled)